

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-17. Cancelled.

18. (Currently Amended) A handheld computer, comprising:
a housing configured to be held in a hand during use;
a display supported by a front surface of the housing;
a plurality of input buttons in fixed positions relative to the display;
cellular telephone electronics;
computing electronics configured to operate a personal information management application; and
a plurality of light sensors configured to convert ambient light into signals to be received by the computing electronics;
wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate a conditioned signal based on the signals received from the plurality of light sensors; ~~and~~
wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by ignoring a signal from one of the plurality of light sensors;
wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a brightness behind the plurality of input buttons based on signals from at least one of the plurality of light sensors; and
wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust at least one other characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from at least one other of the plurality of light sensors.

19. (Cancelled).

20. (Currently Amended) The handheld computer of Claim 18 ~~49~~, wherein the at least one other characteristic comprises a brightness of the display.

21. (Cancelled).

22. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to operate a plurality of personal information management applications comprising contacts and a calendar.

23. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 22, wherein the computing electronics are further configured to provide word processing, spreadsheets and a calculation application.

24. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the plurality of light sensors are coupled to a back surface of the housing.

25. (Cancelled).

26. (Cancelled).

27. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the display comprises a touch screen.

28. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to average a plurality of signals from at least one of the plurality of light sensors.

29. (Previously Presented) A handheld computer, comprising:
a housing configured to be held in a hand during use;
a display supported by a front surface of the housing;
cellular telephone electronics;
a plurality of input buttons in fixed positions relative to the display;
computing electronics configured to operate a plurality of personal information management applications and other applications; and

a first light sensor configured to convert light into signals to be received by the computing electronics, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from the first light sensor;

wherein the characteristic comprises a brightness behind the plurality of input buttons;

further comprising a second light sensor configured to convert light into signals to be received by the computing electronics, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust at least one other characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from the second light sensor;

wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate a conditioned signal based on the signals received from the first and second light sensors; and

wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by ignoring a signal from one of the first light sensor and the second light sensor.

30. (Currently Amended) The handheld computer of Claim 29, wherein the at least one other characteristic comprises a brightness of the display.

31. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 30, wherein the computing electronics are configured to average a plurality of signals from the first light sensor.

32. (Cancelled).

33. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 29, wherein the first light sensor is disposed on a front surface of the housing and the second light sensor is disposed on a back surface of the housing.

34. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 33, further comprising a plurality of additional light sensors disposed on a back surface of the housing.

35. (Cancelled).

36. (Cancelled).

37. (Cancelled).

38. (Cancelled).

39. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of claim 18, wherein the ignored signal is a signal identified as aberrant.

40. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of claim 18, wherein the plurality of light sensors are provided on the same surface of the housing.

41. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of claim 40, wherein the plurality of light sensors are provided on a front surface of the housing.

42. (Cancelled).

43. (Cancelled).

44. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of claim 29, wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by computing an average of the signals received from the first and second light sensors.

45. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of claim 44, wherein the average is a weighted average.

46. (Cancelled).